

Dear Federal Bar Member:

Pursuant to District of Kansas Local Rule 77.6, the court appoints a Bench-Bar Committee which consists of the Chief Judge, other judges which may be appointed by the court, representatives from the district's U.S. Attorney and Federal Public Defender offices and nine actively practicing members of the bar of the court, selected by the district judges. The Bench-Bar Committee has general advisory and liaison roles with respect to the operation of the court and, among other things, provides a forum for the continuous study of the operating procedures of the court and considers and recommends the adoption, amendment or rescission of the Rules of Practice of the court. The current Chair of the Bench-Bar Committee is Judge J. Thomas Marten.

Three vacancies on the Bench-Bar Committee will become available on January 1, 2011.

If you are interested in serving on the Bench-Bar Committee, please complete and print the Bench-Bar Application, which is available under the category "Forms" on our website at www.ksd.uscourts.gov, attach a current copy of your resume and send to:

Timothy M. O'Brien, Clerk
U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas
259 Robert J. Dole United States Courthouse
500 State Avenue
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

The deadline to apply is October 31, 2010. Questions or concerns may be directed to ingrid_campbell@ksd.uscourts.gov